

**April 10, 2019** 

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## Resolution to study feasibility and costs of an environmentally friendly purchasing program for the City passes unanimously at Finance & Personnel

A resolution **sponsored by Alderman Cavalier Johnson** directing the City of Milwaukee Department of Administration – Purchasing Division to study the feasibility and costs of implementing an environmentally-friendly purchasing program for the city passed unanimously at the Finance and Personnel Committee today.

Finance and Personnel Committee chair Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs, committee vice chair Alderwoman Chantia Lewis, Alderman Michael J. Murphy and Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II signed on as co-sponsors of Common Council File #181909 as well.

Ald. Johnson noted that numerous other cities and states, as well as the federal government, have implemented such eco-friendly programs to identify and procure environmentally-preferable products and services for their jurisdictions.

"The City of Milwaukee is capable of using its purchasing power to reduce pollution and support private-sector environmental innovation," said Ald. Johnson. "Environmentally preferable products are safer, minimally polluting and more energy efficient; the city should take the lead in eliminating our use of those polystyrene and plastic products that are harming our ecosystem."

The file moves to the full Common Council for a vote on Tuesday, April 16. Should the file pass, study findings are due back to the council in 60 days.